

Essential Question: How do people, policies, and technological advances shape a nation?

Focus Questions

- What were the ways that industrialization changed America?
- How did the United States emerge as an economic power?
- What were the experiences of immigrants coming to America?
- What were the experiences of immigrants in America?
- To what extent did reform movements address the problems facing various groups of Americans?
- How did the level of governmental business regulation reflect the country's economic needs?

Connected Academic Vocabulary

entrepreneur	bank	stock	robber baron	population	density
nativism	monopolies	capitalism	laissez-faire	industry	immigrant
famine	tenement	reform	muckraker	urbanization	famine
assimilation	union	temperance			

Student Outcomes

What the student should know and be able to do by the end of the unit:

Content, Concepts, Understandings, and Skills

- Explain the significance of the changes in America due to industrialization.
- Analyze the causes and effects of immigration.
- Examine the changing relationship between government and business.
- Research the working conditions in factories.
- Explore the role of the labor movement and the growth of unions.
- Identify key reformers and the contributions they made to improve the lives of Americans.
- Describe new technologies and innovations that transformed America.
- Identify themes that connect past and current events.
- Explore the different ways discrimination took place during the time period.

Performance Tasks and Formative Assessments

Performance-Based Assessment:

- Investigative report about a Progressive era issue and efforts to improve the problem.